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Stewart Renders Excellent Service to Nabb

The Nabb Research Center is truly indebted to Dr. Polly Stewart, a recently retired English professor at Salisbury University. In October of this year, Stewart donated numerous books relevant to the mission of the Nabb Research Center, along with a substantial monetary contribution allotted for the purchase of much-needed archival preservation materials. In addition to these contributions, she also took time away from retirement to complete her Delmarva Folklore Collection Project. The collection is located at the Nabb Research Center and has become a valuable source of information for researchers, historians and folklorists.

Please Help Fill Nabb Center's Stocking!

The following books were listed in Clearfield Company's newsletter and would greatly enrich the Nabb Research Center collection. If you would like to help us purchase these materials call 410-543-6312

Irish Emigrants to North America, 1670-1830 Part 6 - $16.50

Abstracts of the Testamentary Proceedings of the Prerogative Court of Maryland Vol.1, 1658-1674 - $29.50

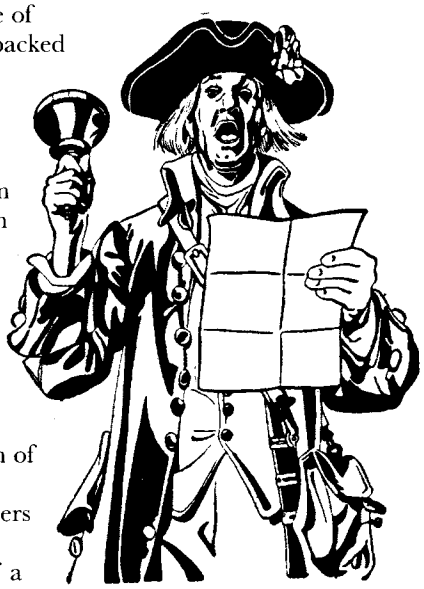
The Quit Rents of Virginia, 1704 - $16

Slave Songs of the United States - $29.95

Hear Ye! Hear Ye!

Annual memberships at the Nabb Research Center expire at the end of December 2004. Please be sure to renew your membership and continue your support of our mission.

Members! We hope you enjoyed the September issue of *Shoreline*, which had as its theme "Woven of Many Strands: The Heritage of Delmarva's Diversity." The 37-page issue was packed with articles such as "A Blend of Cultures: Delmarva During the Early Colonial Period," "Hiding in Plain Sight: The Cheswold Lenape Community," "Debenada, King of Great Nussags, To Jane Jonson, Negro: African-Indian Relations on the Eastern Shore," "New Sweden on the Delaware—A Unique Chapter in Delmarva History," "Ulster Scot Immigration to the Eastern Shore of Maryland" as well as other articles on pirates, a Berlin man in Mosby's Regulars, a 17th century femme fatale and several other articles of interest.



The March 2005 issue of *Shoreline* has as its theme "Civil War on the Shore," in recognition of the 140th anniversary of the April 9, 1865, surrender at Appomattox Court House. Members may look forward to articles by Dr. Melanie Perrault concerning a compromised election of a judge in Somerset County; Jim Trader on the designer of the *Merrimack*; George Shivers on Clara Gunby; Darrell Middleton on Company A Second Delaware volunteers, a reprint of an 1864 article concerning soldiers invading Cheriton, VA; David Briddell on the Berlin Memorial Day celebrations of 1938; and lots of interesting theme graphics from the Nabb's collections. All of these articles are in addition to our regular features.

Don't miss out! Renew on the attached card!

The Nabb Research Center depends upon the generosity of its members.

Please help us advance preservation and your heritage by remembering the Nabb Research Center in your will and estate planning.

Thank you!

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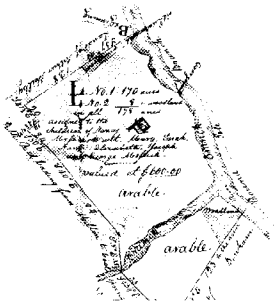
Holiday Closing
December 18 - January 3

Upcoming Events at the Nabb Research Center

Researching the Land Workshop
Tuesdays, January 11, 18 and 25



Dr. Edward Otter presents a course designed to give participants instructions on how to research land records. The three-day workshop deals with various aspects of land research, including some of the problems that might arise when examining land records. Dr. Otter is an archaeologist with over 25 years of research experience. The workshop will be held 7-9 p.m. each day at the Nabb Research Center. Cost is $60 and $50 for Nabb members and SU students. There is a class limit of 15. Call 410-543-6312 for reservations.

Researching Family Genealogy Workshop Revisited
Saturday, January 22

The Nabb Research Center hosts a genealogy event with Dr. Ray Thompson of the SU History Department. The workshop focuses on researching Delmarva families and includes general information about genealogical research. Dr. Thompson covers various aspects of genealogical research including how to start your family research, what sources to examine for genealogical study and the value of oral history. The workshop will also include a hands-on session focused on the interpretation of Colonial writing and a handbook will be provided highlighting research methods and sources. Cost is $50 with a $5 discount to students and Nabb Research Center members. The workshop will run from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. and time will be provided for a lunch break.

African-American History in Figurine Display
February 1-May 31

Commencing in February, the Nabb Research Center celebrates African-American History Month with a display of African-American figurine collectibles belonging to SU History Professor Clara Small. These figurines represent important landmark events in African-American history. The display is free and open to the public and will run through May 2005.

Garden Heirlooms: Understanding Your Garden's Horticultural Roots Workshop
Friday, April 22

Ginny Rosenkranz and Laura Romaneo present a workshop about native species and those that have acclimated to our region. Topics to be discussed and demonstrated include transplanting, rooting and seed saving. The workshop will be held 1-3 p.m. at the Nabb Research Center. Call 410-543-6312 for details and reservations.

The Nabb Research Center is located on Wayne Street on the East Campus of Salisbury University in the Power Professional Building Room 190.